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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of: Laurent TAISNE and Jean-Pierre HECAEN

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For: WATER-REDISPERSIBLE GRANULES COMPRISING AN ACTIVE
SUBSTANCE IN LIQUID FORM

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of filing fee, please enter the following amendment in the
specification and claims:

In the specification:

Page 1, just after the title, please add the new following paragraph:

This application is an application under 35 U.S.C. Section 371 of International
Application Number PCT/FR99/02667 filed on November 02, 1999.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1 to 26 and replace them with the following new claims

27 to 52:

27. (New) Water-redispersible granules obtained by carrying out the steps of:

a) preparing an emulsion, in water, of at least one active substance, at least one
nonionic surfactant, and at least one water-soluble or water-dispersible compound, and